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March 30, 1994

Mr. Paul C. Spor General Manger North Lily Mining Company P. O. Box 421 Eureka, Utah 84628

Re:

Response to Request for Partial Bond Release, North Lily Mining Company, Tintic Heap Leach Project, M/023/007, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Spor:

The Division has reviewed your February 14, 1994 letter requesting a partial release from North Lily Mining Company's (NLMC) reclamation surety. North Lily is requesting that the Division release 60%, or \$95,340 of the existing surety amount. You indicated that the basis for this request is a Division file memo from Mr. Tony Gallegos, dated July 21, 1993. The memo discusses the possibility of the Division releasing a portion of the existing reclamation surety, equivalent to the amount of reclamation (regrading/recontouring, and backfilling) that has been performed by NLMC to date.

It is true that earth work usually accounts for the largest amount of the reclamation cost estimate. North Lily has completed the reclamation on the majority of its surface disturbances with the exception of the main heap leaching and gold processing areas. We have re-evaluated the original surety estimate for this project and find that the processing area makes up the greatest portion of the reclamation estimate. We have revised the reclamation surety estimate (copy attached) and reduced the dollar amount to reflect the remaining reclamation requirements. The new surety amount is \$139,700 (1999 dollars).

We will also notify your bank of the reduced surety requirement, which should enable them to return that portion held in excess of the amount determined above. We will need to receive a copy of the revised surety (presently a Certificate of Deposit) which reflects the revised dollar amount. Should NLMC choose to change their form of surety, please let us know at your earliest convenience. We will then send you the appropriate forms. We will retain the remainder until NLMC performs the rest of the required reclamation for this project. If you have questions in this regard, please contact me or D. Wayne Hedberg of the Minerals Program.

Sincerely.

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Associate Director, Mining

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Attachments

Minerals staff (route)

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RECLAMATION ESTIMATE

North Lily Mining Company (NLMC)

Tintic Project - Phase I

M/023/007

Juab County

last revision

03/29/94

filename M23-07RD.WB1

Prepared by Utah State Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Reclamation Details

-previous estimate \$158,900

- -This estimate is in response to the 2/14/94 surety reduction request by NLMC
- -Refer to the original reclamation estimate of 3/1/91 for comparison (see attachments)
- -This reduction is based on the DOGM inspection memo of 7/21/93
- -This reduction applies to reclamation work which has been completed to date, such as: regrading dump areas, initial seeding but no revegetation standard achieved yet
- -The cost of seeding an area is retained until the revegetation standard is achieved
- -The Yankee area is not included in this project (see exploration file)
- -No reclamation has been performed at the minesite (processing area)
- -TOTAL DISTURBED AREA = minesite(24.6)+dumps(43.8) =

68.4 acres

-Minesite = heap(16.6)+bldg(1)+all topsoil(3.2)+borrow(2.6)+ponds(1.2)

| Description | Amount | \$/Unit | Cost-\$ |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------|-----------|
| -Demolish & dispose of bldgs | lump sum | 5,000 | |
| -Regrade building site | 1.0 acre | 300 | 300 |
| -Decommission heap leach pad | 16.6 acre | 500 | 8,300 |
| -Regrade heap leach pad(3:1 slopes) | 153,230 CY | 0.20 | 30,646 |
| -Regrade solution ponds | 12,000 CY | 0.20 | 2,400 |
| -Apply topsoil to heap leach area | 38,000 CY | 1.25 | 47,500 |
| -Ripping roads at minesite (0.50 mph) | 1.7 acre | 485 | 825 |
| -Revegetation at minesite | 24.6 acre | 447 | 10,996 |
| -North Tailing Dump(Red Dump)RESEED | 11.1 acre | 200 | 2,220 |
| -Mammoth Mine Dump-RESEED | 15.0 acre | 200 | 3,000 |
| -Grade Centennial-Eureka area - OMIT | 17.2 acre | (300) | 0 |
| -Centennial-Eureka area-RESEED | 17.2 acre | 200 | 3,440 |
| -Grade Grand Central area - OMIT | 0.5 acre | (300) | 0 |
| -Grand Central area -RESEED | 0.5 acre | 200 | 100 |
| -Fence maintenance/monitoring (3 yrs) | 3 yr | 1,200 | 3,600 |
| | SUBTOTAL | | 118,327 |
| | + 10% CONTINGE | ENCY | 11,833 |
| | SUBTOTAL | | 130,159 |
| | + 5 yr ESCALATIO | 9,508 | |
| | TOTAL | 139,667 | |
| | ROUNDED TOTA | L(1999-\$) | \$139,700 |

Amount of reduction =

\$19,200

*** Average Cost Per Acre *** =

2,042 \$/acre

RECLAMATION ESTIMATE

North Lily Mining Company

Tintic Project - Phase I

M/023/007 Juab County

last revision

3/1/91

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Reclamation Details

- -All structures and equipment to be removed from the site
- -Heap leach pad 50' high to be neutralized to BWPC required levels
- -Heap leach regraded to 3:1 by pushing upslope & covered with topsoil
- -Revegetation includes application of fertilizer, mulch & seed
- -Yankee area not included in this project (=> Exploration)
- -Fence maintenance 1/month for 3 yrs (revegetation success)

-TOTAL DISTURBED AREA = minesite + dumps = ...
-Minesite = heap + bldg + all topsoil + borrow + ponds

68.4 acres

| Description | Amount | | \$/Unit | Cost-\$ | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--------|---------|-----------|--|
| -Demolish & dispose of bldgs | lump sum | | | 5,000 | |
| '-Regrade building site | 1.0 | acre | 300 | 300 | |
| -Decommission heap leach pad | 16.6 | acre | 500 | 8,300 | |
| -Regrade heap leach pad(3:1 slopes) | 153,230 | CY | 0.20 | 30,646 | |
| -Regrade solution ponds | 12,000 | CY | 0.20 | 2,400 | |
| -Apply topsoil to heap leach area | 38,000 | CY | 1.25 | 47,500 | |
| -Ripping roads at minesite (0.50 mph) | 1.7 | acre | 485 | 825 | |
| -Revegetation at minesite | 24.6 | acre | 447 | 10,996 | |
| -Revege North Tailing Dump (Red Dump) | 11.1 | acre | 447 | 4,962 | |
| -Revege Mammoth Mine Dump | 15.0 | acre | 447 | 6,705 | |
| -Grade Centennial-Eureka area | 17.2 | acre | 300 | 5,160 | |
| -Revege Centennial-Eureka area | 17.2 | acre | 447 | 7,688 | |
| -Grade Grand Central area | 0.5 | acre | 300 | 150 | |
| -Revege Grand Central area | 0.5 | acre | 447 | 224 | |
| -Fence maintenance/monitoring (3 yrs) | 3 | yr | 1,200 | 3,600 | |
| S | | | 134,456 | | |
| + 10% CONTINGENCY | | | | 13,446 | |
| SUBTOTAL | | | | 147,902 | |
| + 5 yr ESCALATION(1.45%) | | | | 11,038 | |
| | TOTAL | | | 158,940 | |
| ROUNDED TOTAL | IN 1996-\$ | | | \$158,900 | |
| *** Cost Per Acre *** = | 2,323 | \$/acı | re | | |

Reclamation Estimate for North Lily Mining Company Tintic Project Juab County M/023/007

Prepared By Utah State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining October 2, 1989

| Description | Quantity | Unit | \$/Unit | Cost (\$) |
|---|------------|---------------|---------|-----------|
| Plant Site Reclamation | | | | |
| Demolish and Dispose of Buildings | | Lump Sum | | 5,000 |
| Regrade Building Site | 1.0 | Acres | 300 | 300 |
| Decommission Heap Leach Pad | 13.0 | Acres | 500 | 6,500 |
| Regrade Heap Leach Pad | 120,000 | Cubic Yards | 0.20 | 24,000 |
| Regrade Solution Ponds | 12,000 | | 0.20 | 2,400 |
| Apply Topsoil | 29,400 | Acres | 1.25 | 36,750 |
| Revegetate | 21.0 | Acres | 447 | 9,390 |
| Subtotal | | | | 84,340 |
| North Tailings Dump Reclamation | | | | |
| Revegetate (a) | 11.1 | Acres | 447 | 4,960 |
| Mammoth Mine Dump Reclamation | | | | |
| Grade for Uniformity | 15.0 | Acres | 300 | 4,500 |
| Revegetate | 15.0 | Acres | 447 | 6,710 |
| Subtotal | | | | 11,210 |
| | | | | 11,210 |
| Totals | | | | 100 510 |
| Add Contingency (10%) | | | | 100,510 |
| Add contingency (10%) | | | | 10,050 |
| TOTAL RECLAMATION COST (1989 Dollars) | | | | 110,560 |
| TOTAL RECLAMATION COST (1994 Dollars) @ | 1.93% Annu | ıal Inflation | | 122,000 |

Notes: (a) This area has been depleted of ore. The reclamation earthwork was completed in 1989. The revegetation remains and will commence during the fall of 1989.

This estimate includes the reclamation costs required for the expansion of the heap leach pad.